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SUBJECT: COMMENTS OF FEBRUARY 12 MEETING (SALT TWO-513)

1. AT TODAY'S MEETING I MADE FULL PRESENTATION OF OUR MIRV VERIFICATION POSITION, WHILE SEMENOV CONFINED HIMSELF TO BRIEF "EXPOSITION" ON MIRV POSITION IN THEIR DRAFT TEXT. REFERRING TO MY FEBRUARY 10 STATEMENT, HE SAID SOME COMMON POINTS OF VIEW SEEM TO BE EMERGING AND, WHILE THEY HAD QUESTIONS TO WHICH THEY WOULD LATER REFER, HE REITERATED THEIR POSITIONS ON ASMS.

2. IN OUR BILATERAL I STRESSED ATTENTION WHICH SUBJECT MIRV VERIFICATION HAD BEEN GIVEN BY WASHINGTON AND IMPORTANCE OF MY STATEMENT TODAY, WHICH I SAID HAD BEEN VERY CAREFULLY DRAWN. IN RESPONSE HE INDICATED IMPATIENCE WITH DRAWING IN MATTERS NOT CONTAINED IN VLADIVOSTOK UNDERSTANDING AND THUS UNDULY PROLONGING OUR WORK HERE. WE COULD, IF NECESSARY, HAVE SOME ANNEXES AND PROTOCOLS TO AGREEMENT, BUT IMPORTANT THING NOW WAS TO GET DOWN TO "SIMPLE TASK" OF TRANSLATING VLADIVOSTOK AGREEMENT INTO LEGAL LANGUAGE FOR TREATY. I, OF COURSE, POINTED OUT THAT ALL I WAS TRYING TO DO

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WAS TO MAKE SURE THAT THERE WAS COMMON AGREEMENT AND UNDER-

STANDING ON MEANING OF VLADIVOSTOK TERMS AND NOTED THAT HE
IN THEIR DRAFT HAD DRAWN IN ITEMS WHICH WERE CLEARLY
OUTSIDE OF THE VLADIVOSTOK UNDERSTANDING. ON THAT NOTE WE AGREED
TO RESUME DISCUSSION AT OUR MEETING LATER THIS AFTERNOON.

3. IN GENERAL BILATERALS REPEATED SAME THEMES.

4. WE AGREED WE WOULD INFORM PRESS OF OUR " CHIEFS OF DELEGATION"
MEETING THIS AFTERNOON AND THAT NEXT DELEGATION MEETING WILL TAKE
PLACE FEBRUARY 18. JOHNSON

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